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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Chairman, National Intelligence Council

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SUBJECT : Second Impressions of Narcotics Matters

1. Some of my first impressions reported to you in September have stood up; others have proven impractical.

2. Following is an attempt at a plan or list of objectives. If implemented over the next quarter or so, CIA and the Intelligence Community would have a reasonably good narcotics program in place. Most of the elements of the plan are already being acted on. The IC Staff, as you know, is developing a longer range plan for 1984 and beyond.

3. Within CIA

a. DDI

- expand exposure in PDB and NID
- produce more crop production estimates through use of outside contractors

b. DDO

- raise priority of narcotics in selected ODs
- increase man-years overseas on narcotics collection

-- narrow collection focus

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4. Within the Intelligence Community

- reconcile requirements and prioritization in DCID 1/2, NITS, SIRVES and COMIREX

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- produce NIEs on world opium production and on Columbia as a producing and trafficking center
- coordinate Intelligence Community through warning meetings and other contacts
- make DEA, Customs, INS and Coast Guard operational intelligence available to rest of Community

5. The following list repeats some of the above but also includes additional items. It is intended to buttress Congressional testimony likely to be scheduled for this fall or winter.

a. Accomplishments since the DDCI's 14 July testimony

- DDO production on narcotics is up about one third for CY 82 over CY 81
- a history of CIA's involvement in narcotics collection was produced and sent to the Hill
- DDO OD and man-year commitments have been reviewed and revised

- at our suggestion an intelligence committee has been established within the South Florida Task Force

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- much additional work has gone into understanding the role of financial flows in trafficking
- the number of narcotics items carried in the NID and PDB is increasing
- an NIO for narcotics has been appointed at CIA and a DIO and SNIO at DIA and NSA have also been appointed
- DCID 1/2s, NITS, SIRVES, COMIREX and the National Humint Collection Plan have been sharpened
- two National Intelligence Estimates on narcotics are being drafted
- the IC Staff is developing a long range plan for the Community

b. Some remaining problems

- we are working on but have not solved the problem of making intelligence developed at DEA, Customs, INS and the Coast Guard available to Intelligence Community members

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- a Memorandum of Understanding between CIA and DEA has not yet been agreed to

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- The absence of funding increases in the FY 84 budget may draw Congressional fire.



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